

## ABSTRACT

In order to prevent the event that a printing sheet is smudged with a micro ink droplet, in a printing apparatus that forms a dot in a desired position of the printing sheet by ejecting the ink droplet from a nozzle, a static electricity eliminating mechanism (a sheet feed roller 65 and an earthing spring member 100) for eliminating static electricity generated on the printing sheet 50 is provided such that the ink droplet is not adsorbed in an unintended position by the influence of static electricity generated on the printing sheet 50. Therefore, since the static electricity generated on the printing sheet 50 can be eliminated by earthing the apparatus via the sheet feed roller 65 and the earthing spring member 100, the ink droplet can be prevented from being adsorbed in the unintended position.